

# MAYOR'S STATE OF THE CITY

# Welcome



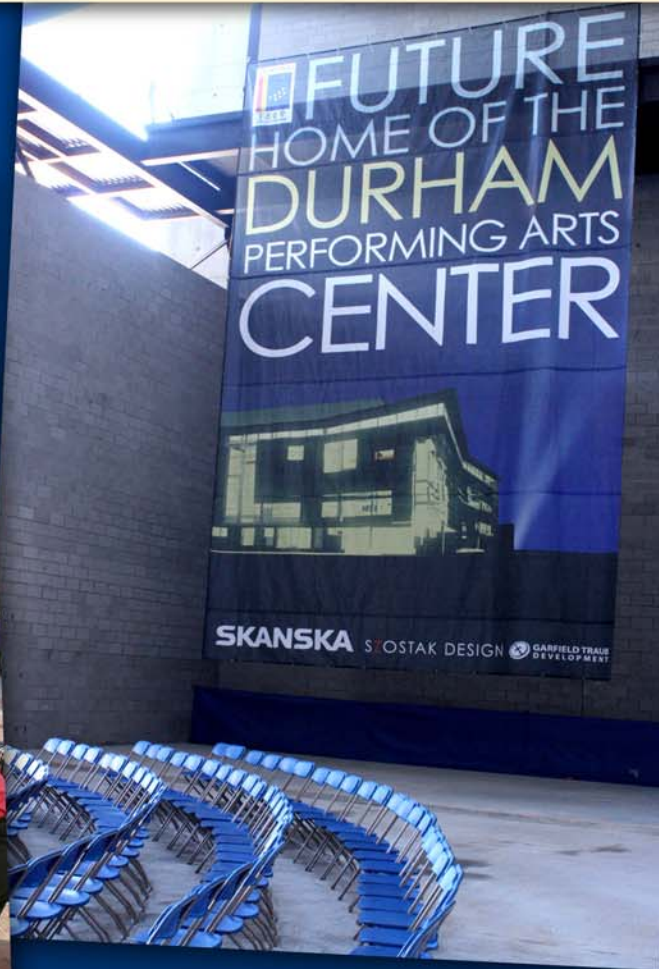
# 2007 City Council





# Downtown Continues Thriving Revitalization

**Durham Rising and  
Streetscape Completion**



**Durham Performing Arts Center  
Topping Out**

# Downtown Continues Thriving Revitalization



**Durham  
Transportation Center  
Groundbreaking**

**West Village  
Phase II  
Continues**



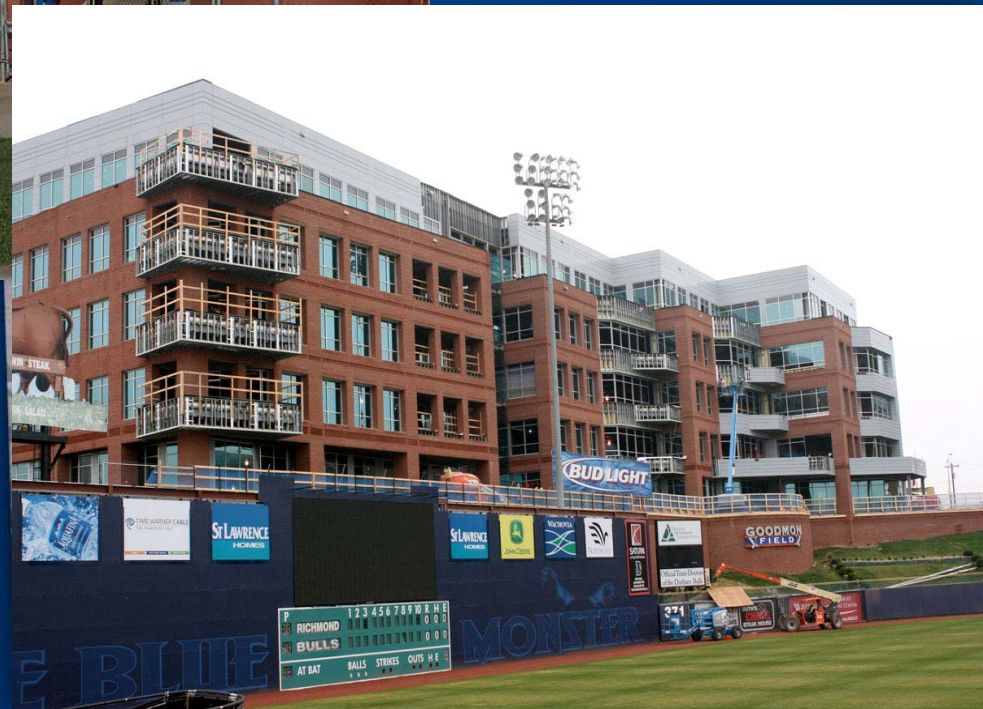


# Downtown Continues Thriving Revitalization



**Historic American Tobacco Complex Continues with Diamond View II**

**Historic Durham Athletic Park Project Moves Forward**



# Continued Focus on Neighborhoods

## Bus Tour of Northeast Central Durham, Southside and Southwest Central Durham





# Continued Focus on Neighborhoods

**Eastway Village continues to grow and flourish as a new, revitalized community.**



# Continued Focus on Neighborhoods

**Citizens approve \$20 million  
general obligation bond for:**



**Streets**

**Sidewalks**



**Dirt Streets**



# City Administration Achieves

## More than 15 national and statewide awards including:

- City's Department of Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance Receives Minority Business Advocate of the Year Award
- 19th Consecutive Award for Distinguished Budget Presentation
- City of Durham's Web Site Tops National Accessibility List
- City of Durham Honored As "Trailblazer" For Public Involvement
- Durham Receives Nationally Recognized "2007 Tree City USA" Award for 25th Consecutive Year
- Durham Finance Department Earns National Reporting Honors

# Mayor's Summer Youth Program

400 Youth Employed





# Overview



**Record Drought Impacts Durham**



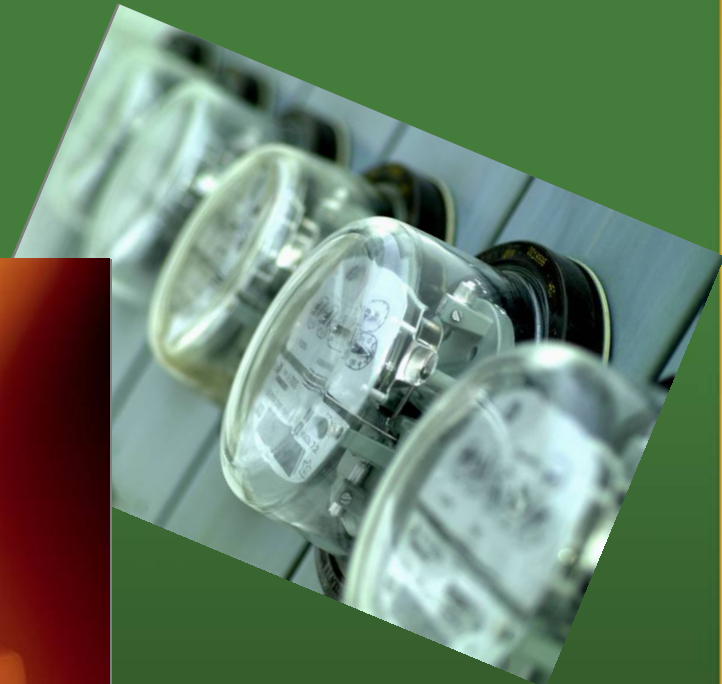
**Neighborhood Revitalization**



**Public Safety and Crime**

# Greenhouse Gas Local Action Plan

- 50% city reduction by 2030.
- 30% community reduction by 2030.





# 100-Year Drought Impacts Durham

- Entire southeastern United States affected.
- Durham's two major reservoirs feel the pinch.



# City Takes Action to Combat Drought

- Declared mandatory water restrictions in September.



- Usage reduced.





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- Teer Quarry tapped for short-term supply.
- Long-term storage solution by 2009.



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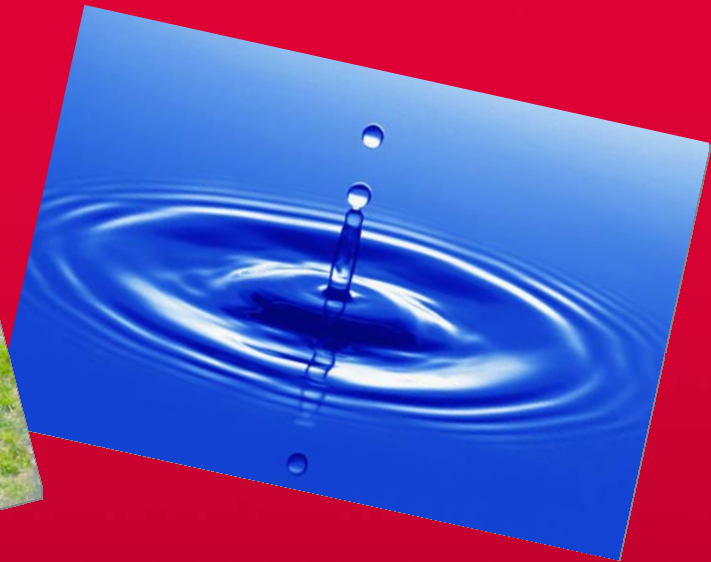
- **Jordan Lake second interconnection moving forward.**
- **Project completion by end of summer.**





# City Takes Action to Combat Drought

- Leaky pipe engineering study to begin soon.
- Goal to reduce 13 percent water loss.



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- Tiered-rate pricing structure to be studied and implemented by end of summer.
- Goal to encourage water conservation.



# City Takes Action to Combat Drought

## New Development





# Promoting Water Conservation



# **Inner-City Neighborhood Revitalization**



**Northeast Central Durham**



**Southwest Central Durham**



**Rolling Hills and Southside**

# Continued Focus on Neighborhoods

## Southwest Central Durham Gets New Life Thanks to Partnerships

New housing valued at \$8.2 million and home ownership up 12%.





# Continued Focus on Neighborhoods

## Rolling Hills Set to Move Forward



# Public Safety Challenges Continue



# City Takes Action Against Crime

## Tougher Bonding for Violent Crimes





# Public Safety Challenges Continue

## Five-Year Crime Statistics

	2003	2004	2005	2006	Projected 2007
<b>Murder</b>	22	32	35	14	26
<b>Rape</b>	77	89	85	100	94
<b>Robbery</b>	883	814	627	975	789
<b>Aggravated Assault</b>	682	626	726	857	819
<b><i>Total Violent Crime</i></b>	<b>1,664</b>	<b>1,561</b>	<b>1,473</b>	<b>1,946</b>	<b>1,728</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	3,528	3,249	3,157	3,084	3,627
<b>Larceny</b>	9,027	8,040	7,944	7,475	7,127
<b>Motor Vehicle Theft</b>	1,066	946	936	1,118	1,015
<b><i>Total Property Crime</i></b>	<b>13,621</b>	<b>12,235</b>	<b>12,037</b>	<b>11,677</b>	<b>11,769</b>
<b>Total Crime Index</b>	<b>15,285</b>	<b>13,796</b>	<b>13,510</b>	<b>13,623</b>	<b>13,497</b>

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## Community Policing



- Record 120 communities participated in National Night Out.

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## Recent Gang Assessment Study

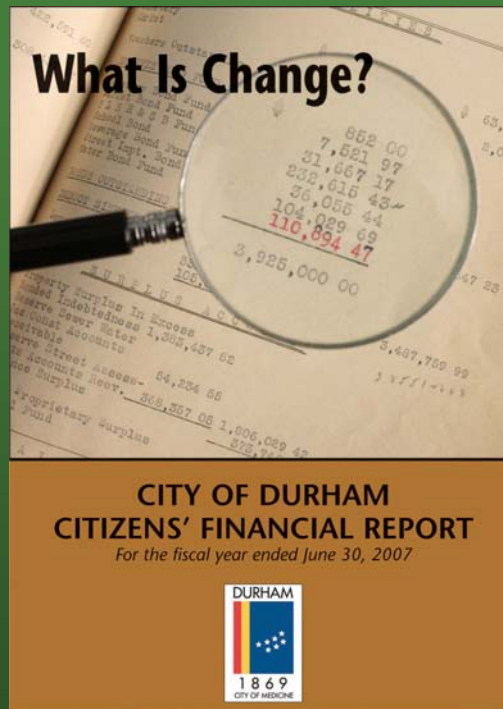


- Real feedback with holistic view.
- New anti-gang coordinator now on staff.



# Sound Finances Continue

- Triple A rating from all bond agencies.
- Durham one of fewer than 20 cities nationwide to achieve highest rating available.



# Bonds for a Better Durham

**2005 bond projects – more than 80 building projects alone – beginning to come to fruition.**



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# Thank You



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